Washington State Ferries

NEW 130 – AUTO FERRIES

DESIGN AND BUILD CONTRACT NO. 00-6674



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Washington State Ferries, a division of the Washington State Department of Transportation (hereinafter called "WSF"), requests proposals from firms who wish to be considered for the following described project:

A Contract to design and build up to four (4) new auto ferries, through use of a modified Request For Proposals (RFP) process. Under the RFP, the prevailing shipbuilder and WSF will engage in a design and build partnership for the new auto ferries. Each ferry will have a capacity of 130 autos and 1202 passengers and crew.

Estimated Price Range for the shipyard Contract for all four auto ferries: \$183,000,000 - \$223,000,000.

In accordance with RCW 47.60.814, the vessels are required to be built within the boundaries of the state of Washington with warranty work performed in the state of Washington, insofar as practical. Additional information on these requirements is contained in RFP Volume IA.

The vessel Delivery Dates will be as follows:

<u>VESSEL</u>	<u>DELIVERY DATE</u>
1 st :	Twenty-eight (28) months after commencement of Contract.
2 nd :	Thirty-six (36) months after commencement of Contract.
3 rd :	Forty-three (43) months after commencement of Contract.
4 th :	Fifty (50) months after commencement of Contract. (See Note 1.)

Proposers must be prequalified by WSF in Class 81 work, "Vessel Construction and Renovation", prior to submittal of a proposal. Additionally, Special Prequalification requirements apply to this RFP. Certified Minority/Women Business Enterprises (M/WBEs) are encouraged to participate in the RFP process.

On or after December 3, 2003, interested parties may obtain Volume IA of the RFP package from the WSF Contracts/Legal Services Department as shown below. The remainder of the RFP package is scheduled for issue in the Spring of 2004. At that time, the complete RFP package will be available upon request for the <u>non-refundable</u> fee of \$200.00. Informational copies of the RFP package will be on file after that date at various plan centers, WSDOT Support Services / Seattle SBA and at WSF. WSF will also post the RFP package on the following web site: www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/contracts.

Contracts/Legal Services Department Washington State Ferries

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WSF assumes no obligation of any kind for expenses incurred by a respondent to this Notice or the RFP package.

Note 1: The fourth vessel has been approved by the Washington state legislature for the 2011-2013 Biennium. In the event that, prior to submission of bids for the Construction Contract, the legislature advances the start date of a 4th vessel to the 2007-2009 Biennium, the Delivery Date for the 4th vessel will be as provided above.